

Kick off Workshop – 12 03 2010 in Graz/Styria/Austria

Workshop “Education for Peace” – A sustainable way to prevent humanitarian crisis

The kick – off workshop should be the foundation for a strong network of people supporting education for peace.

Different groups of interdisciplinary experts and scientists will cooperate

- to identify and understand the challenge
- to find first ways to realize ideas for solutions
- to start-up a strong network.

As a result a minimum of 4 initial projects should be developed, which will be realized within a year. On virtual platform information according to the projects, knowledge, exchange of experience and best practice will be presented.

Friday 12th March 2010

Graz/AUSTRIA, Raiffeisenhof, Krottendorfer Straße 81, 8052 Graz

Chaired:

- Ambassador Walter Fust, Global Humanitarian Forum Geneva
- Dr. Kurt Kalcher, Government of Styria, Head of Department für A20
- Bgdr Dr. Alois Hirschmugl, Austrian Armed Forces and Global Humanitarian Forum

Why in March 2010:

- 2001-2010 International Decade for a Culture of Peace and Non-violence for the Children of the World
- 2010 – International Year for the Rapprochement of Cultures
- 8th March: International Woman’s Day
- 21th March: International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination
- 22nd March: World Day for Water
- 2010 The International Year for the Eradication of Poverty
- 2005-2015 Decade for Action 'Water for Life'

Keynote speeches:

- Ambassador Walter FUST, Global Humanitarian Forum
- Dr. Kurt Kalcher, Government of Styria, Head of Department für A20
- Oberst iR. Manfred Oswald, Menschenrechtspreisträger des Landes Steiermark 2009
- Univ. Prof. Dr. DDr. h.c. Wolfgang Benedek, University of Graz
- Dr. Khalid Abdelmageed, Alsalam Center for Training, Sudan – Wien

Scientific contribution:

- Univ.-Prof. Mag. Dr. Manfred Benedek, University of Graz, Head of ETC Graz
- Assistant Professor Dr. Clemens Mader, Head of RCE Graz-Styria

Workshop – 40 participants:

4 senior + 4 junior persons of the following 4 groups

1. Politics, administration & Institutions with their junior co-workers
2. Science and education (professors of different universities & their students)
3. Economy (Business leaders & their apprentices/trainees)
4. Voluntaries in relief organisations (voluntary youth responsible & their young voluntaries in NGO (practical education for peace, society)

Lunch for PEACE